



## MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

**Description of proposal:** Captains Cup Timber Sale, App. No. 30-082153 and Forest Practice Application No. 2810840. Even-aged harvest of 5,814 MBF of timber from 115.2 acres. Proposal includes 2,900 feet of road construction, 31,811 feet of road reconstruction, up to 7,481 feet of temporary road construction to be abandoned if built, and 3,552 feet of existing road to be abandoned.

**Description of mitigation:** See attached sheet.

**Proponent:** Department of Natural Resources.

**Location of proposal, including street address, if any:** Sections 23, 24 and 25 of Township 33 North, Range 6 East, W.M, and Section 36, Township 33 North, Range 7 East, W.M. Proposal is located approximately 26 miles southeast of Sedro-Woolley, in Skagit County, off of Highway 9, Lake Cavanaugh Road, South Shore Drive and the LC-ML forest road.

**Lead agency:** Department of Natural Resources.

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

☐ There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

☒ This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from October 5, 2009. Comments must be submitted by October 19, 2009.

**Responsible official:** William J. Wallace

**Position/title:** Northwest Region Manager

**Phone:** 360-856-3500

**Address:** 919 North Township Street, Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284

**Date:** 9-25-09

**Signature:**

**There is no agency SEPA appeal.**

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## MITIGATED MEASURES

### **Captains Cup Timber Sale, App. No. 30-082153**

#### Streams:

- 1 type 3 stream with a 131-foot, no-harvest buffers.
- 2 type 3 streams with a 153-foot, no-harvest buffers.
- 3 type 3 streams with a 160-foot, no-harvest buffers.
- 9 type 4 streams with a 100-foot, no-harvest buffer.

#### Wetlands:

- 1 forested wetland, greater than 0.25 acre but less than 1.0 acre in size, with a 100-foot, no-harvest buffer.
- 2 forested wetlands, greater than 1.0 acre in size, with a 131-foot, no harvest buffer.

A short section of new road construction will pass through a WMZ and will remove 0.19-acre of standing mature timber. An equal-area mitigation has been completed.

#### Roads:

Exposed soils on cut and fill slopes will be revegetated to lessen sediment impact to streams. 3,552 feet of existing road will be abandoned after completion of use. Up to 7,481 feet of temporary road to be abandoned, if built.

#### Green tree retention and wildlife:

A total of 1,003 wildlife trees and green retention trees 10 inches and larger at dbh will be retained. This represents an average of eight trees per acre. Trees are both scattered and clumped throughout the proposed harvest area.

Impacts, on wildlife of concern that has been identified, from proposal activities are mitigated through daily operating restrictions during the critical nesting season for portions of Unit #1.

Replacement of a culvert with the installation of a fish passable structural plate bottomless arch with pre-cast concrete footings.

#### Logging methods:

Proposal will be yarded by cable and ground-based systems. Leading end of logs will be suspended during yarding.